

# Silvicultural Practices Supporting Northern Spotted Owl Habitat in Dry Forest Ecosystems:

Implementing the 2005 Workshop, "Managing Northern Spotted Owl Habitat in Dry Forest Ecosystems."

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## **Background**

This workshop follows up on some of the recommendations from the 2005 workshop, "Managing Northern Spotted Owl Habitat in Dry Forest Ecosystems". The 2005 synthesis report is available at

http://www.fws.gov/oregonfwo/index.asp. Go to "Dry Forest Ecosystems" in the "Topics of Interest" drop down menu.

## **Purpose**

The 2006 workshop intends to build on the common ground recognized at the 2005 workshop by achieving the following: 1) bring fire/fuels specialists, silviculturists, and wildlife biologists together to "calibrate" on the issue of owl habitat and high fuel concerns in dry forests; 2) collaboratively develop a process for applying stand level silvicultural practices in northern spotted owl-dry forest habitat; and 3) discuss silvicultural practices that are beneficial to northern spotted owls while addressing high fuel load concerns.

#### **Content**

The 2006 workshop will comprise scientific presentations, case studies, a field trip and group exercises. The emphasis will be to engage discussion and use the interagency and interdisciplinary nature of the participants to discuss and develop workable silvicultural and fuel reduction practices and processes that will maintain northern spotted owl habitat in dry forests.

While much of the workshop content will be specific to the Klamath Province, the exercises and discussions are designed to provide key information and processes usable to derive silvicultural practices for managing owl habitat in other dry provinces.

### **Audience**

Similar to the 2005 workshop, the target audience is forest fuels managers, silviculturists, wildlife biologists, project planners, Level I and II representatives and local unit managers responsible for managing northern spotted owl habitat in dry forest ecosystems on federal lands.

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